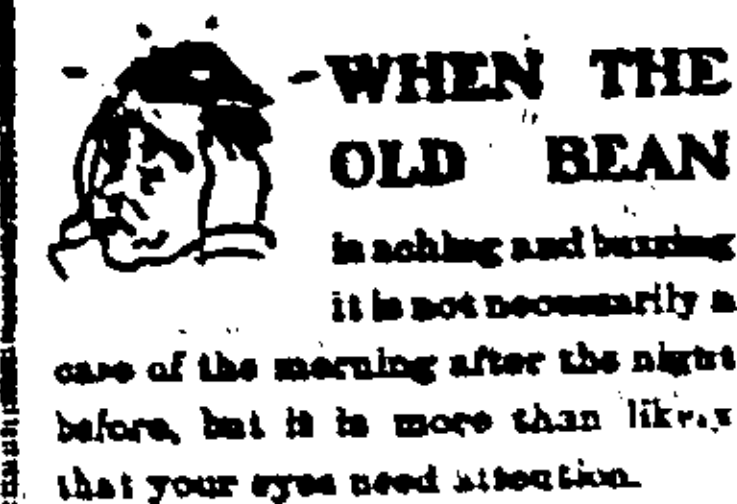




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AMERICA AND THE STRAITS.

Hesitation at Washington.

(Reuter's Service.)

New York, December 7.

The Associated Press correspondent at Washington says the question of whether the Government is prepared to participate in international control of the Straits still awaits an answer, but it can definitely be said that the United States is not committed to participation. Presumably the American attitude will be determined only after full consideration of specific proposals by the Allies.

The *New York Times* says the inevitable consequence of Mr. Child's announcement is that the United States must be ready to co-operate in carrying out its own declared purposes. America cannot refuse to accept membership of the Straits control commission. The *New York World* says nobody proposed a plan for the Straits half so good as the Allied one, and unless Washington has something better up its sleeve it must accept the proposal or eliminate itself from the discussion.

Turks and Russians Disagree.

Lausanne, December 7.

There are reports of a divergence of Turkish and Russian views as regards the Allied Straits scheme, the former considering it forms the basis of further negotiations while Chicherin says he will not sign a settlement if the Russian demand for closing it to shipping is not accepted. The Turks do not seem perturbed at the Russian attitude, declaring they are the party principally affected as regards the security of Constantinople, while the Black Sea question may be considered later.

Problem of Different Races.

Lausanne, December 7.

The American representative on the minorities sub-commission has protested against the proposal for compulsory exchanges of populations except where necessary to secure humanitarian ends, and especially disapproved of the movement of Greeks from Constantinople. This statement has impressed the Turks, who will probably abandon their demand for the expulsion of the Greeks.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

Hongkong and the Straits.

London, December 7.

Commenting editorially on the recent Home Office opium statement, the *Manchester Guardian* underlines the comparative inefficiency of the policy of the Straits Settlements, where difficulties might be expected to be less than in Hongkong. The paper points out there was increased consumption in the Straits from 1918 to 1920, and remarks that possibly the severity of the measures taken in Hongkong against offenders may have something to do with the difference in the results achieved.

IRELAND'S GUNMEN ACTIVE.

London, December 7.

Mr. Cosgrave announced in the Dail that Deputy Sean Hales has been shot dead and Deputy Speaker O'Malley wounded. Both apparently were proceeding to the Dail when they were attacked by men armed with revolvers.

Messrs. Hales and O'Malley were starting in a hackney car from their hotel when seven men lurking in the vicinity fired revolvers. The assailants then separated and escaped.

O'Malley has been operated on, and is now out of danger.

The North Remains Outside.

London, December 7.

A resolution in the form of an address to the Throne, voting six counties out of the Free State, moved by Sir James Craig, has been adopted by both Houses of the Northern Ireland Parliament.

Sir James Craig declared that the moment the question arose of Ulster going under the Dublin Parliament, he would resign. He reiterated that the Northern Parliament would have nothing to do with the boundary commission. There could be no boundary adjustments unless an agreement existed among the border counties.

THE INSURANCE CO. FRAUD.

London, December 7.

In connection with the liquidation of the City Equitable Fire Insurance Company and associated companies, the Official Receiver announces that he has carefully considered the question of taking proceedings against the officers of the companies, who are apparently guilty of breach of trust, with a view to determining whether they can contribute to the assets as compensation. Summonses have already been issued against some of the ex-officers of these companies.

FRANCE OPPOSES DUTY ON RUBBER.

Paris, December 7.

The Customs Committee of the Chamber, has rejected a proposal by M. Outrey, Indo-Chinese Deputy, for a duty of two francs per kilogramme on imported rubber, but proposed to recommend the postponement of a premium on the production of native rubber with the object of encouraging producers in Indo-China.

BIG BANK CONFERENCE PROPOSED.

London, December 7.

In the House of Commons, replying to a question, Mr. Baldwin said the Bank of England intended to act on the recommendation of the Genoa Conference, and summon an international conference of central banks to consider the stabilisation of currencies and exchanges. He hoped a meeting would be possible before long.

MILEAGE OF BRITISH COMMERCIAL PLANE.

London, December 7.

In the House of Commons, the Secretary for the Air said the greatest mileage of a British commercial aeroplane in the regular cross-Channel service was 100,333, without an overhaul of the machine, which was still in perfect condition.

STEAMBOAT COMPANY'S CLAIM.

"Preposterous," Says Canton Paper.

To-day's *Canton Times* contains a lengthy comment on the intention of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company to prefer against the Chinese Government a claim for losses sustained as a result of the Sui An piracy and to put forward claims on behalf of passengers. It describes the claim as "preposterous" and indulges in a deal of ill-timed and somewhat insulting language.

After quoting the Company's advertisement from the *Hong Kong Telegraph*, the paper says the matter formed the subject of a question put before several influential Chinese in Canton, and proceeds to say that their answers may be summarised as follows:

"On reading this announcement, we were not quite sure if the directors of the Company were not labouring under a hallucination to think that it was possible to hold the Chinese Government liable for claims or account of piracy committed on board a British vessel. The apparent earnestness of the advertisement would, however, lead us to infer that the Company's directors were probably suffering from some mental derangement, due, no doubt, to the shock they received from the Sui An piracy."

"A superficial consideration of the claim against the Chinese Government will convince our readers of the absurdity of the Company's position. The piracy took place on a British vessel, flying the British flag; the ship was plying between Hongkong and Macao, outside of Chinese jurisdiction; the pirates embarked from one or both of these ports. Therefore, we fail to see where the Chinese Government enters into the case at all."

"Assuming for argument's sake the Chinese Government can be held liable, then by similar logic the Hongkong Government may also hold the Chinese Government responsible for losses arising from robberies that are of daily occurrence in the well-known Colony of Hongkong. Such a situation is, of course, preposterous and requires no further comment."

The *Canton Times* then goes on to state that, instead of the Chinese Government, the Company should be made liable for all claims resulting from the piracy "on the ground of gross negligence," in support of which statement it cites evidence given before the Commission now sitting in Hongkong. It adds that "from our own experience, while travelling between Hongkong and Macao, we have noticed that the grills on the second deck and upper deck of above-mentioned Company's boats were seldom locked. And hence any piratical gang with a little organization can successfully rush the ship's crew and command the entire ship in quick time, as proved in the case of the Sui An."

RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

Shiploads Denied a Landing.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

Nine ships, carrying 2,000 Russian refugees from Vladivostok, who have been denied permission to land at Japanese or Korean ports, have arrived at Wonsung, where they have anchored pending the letting down of bars by Chinese officials, who also refuse to allow them to land. Admiral Stark is commanding the fleet, which embraces all sorts of vessels.

Six more vessels are en route for Shanghai with 3,000 more refugees. There is much suffering amongst the refugees, owing to the cold weather and inadequate food.

CHINA'S PREMIER.

The Squabble Continues.

Peking, Dec. 7.—It is reported that the nomination of Chang Shou-tseng as Premier will be placed on Monday's agenda, and not to-morrow, as first expected, as the Constitution requires the endorsement of a permanent Premier by both Houses, the senate will hold a special meeting to-morrow, when the question of the Speakership will again be discussed. Party rivalries still threaten to block the matter, and a group of Senators now proposes to elect a temporary Speaker so that a vote on the Premiership can be taken.

Meanwhile political attention is centring on the forthcoming gathering at Pootung on the occasion of Tsao Kun's birthday, for which Wang Cheng-ping and Tsao-jui left for Pootung last evening. There is reason to believe that the Pootung gathering will discuss the personnel of Chang Shou-tseng's proposed Cabinet, and if powerful opposition to Chang Shou-tseng's Premiership arises, his nomination may be withdrawn.—*Reuter*.

OWLS AS FOOD.

Chinese Fined This Morning.

It may not be generally known that at certain periods of the year, Chinese consider owls a table delicacy. But this fact came to light this morning in the Police court, when, before Mr. R. E. Lindell, a Chinese was charged with hawking in the street without a licence. It was stated that he was hawking owls as food.

His Worship:—Owls as food for man? I have never heard of it. Sergeant Elston, who was in charge of the case, said that at certain seasons of the year, the Chinese consider owls fit for food. In fact they were often offered for sale in the Western Market.

The Court Interpreter bore this statement out.

The defendant, who admitted that he had hawked the birds without a licence, was fined \$10 or 4 days' imprisonment.

GERMAN FINANCIAL POLICY.

Berne, December 7.

In a speech before the budget committee of the Reichstag, Herr Hermes, the Finance Minister, announced that the Government's policy was close co-operation with the Allies in order to secure alleviation of distress and stabilisation of the mark and the economic reconstruction of Europe. He declared it might be necessary to make drastic decisions, always taking account of their compatriots in the Rhineland.

A TESTIMONIAL FOR THE EX-PRESIDENT.

Washington, December 7.

M. Clemenceau, after visiting Mr. Woodrow Wilson, declared he found him mentally alert and that he showed great clearness of view and precision of thought.

WOMEN'S PEACE LEAGUE.

The Hague, December 7.

An international conference of the Women's League of Freedom and Peace has opened here, Miss Jane Addams of Chicago presiding.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

FULL COURT.

Mr. H. M. H. Nemazee's Appeal.

In the Full Court, before the Chief Justice (Sir Wm. Macdowell), Mr. Justice Skinner (of Shanghai) and Mr. Justice H. H. J. Gompertz (Punjab), this morning, the hearing commenced in the case in which Mr. H. M. H. Nemazee appealed against an order made by the Chief Justice for the enforcing of an arbitration award in favour of the Yu Fong Steamship Company.

Appellant, Mr. H. M. H. Nemazee, was represented by Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston), Mr. Eldon Potter (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for respondents, the Yu Fong Steamship Company.

Mr. Jenkin explained that the order made by the Chief Justice, against which they were appealing, was made as a result of the following circumstances. Mr. Nemazee chartered four ships from Yu Fong Steamship Company, which resulted in certain disputes and the matter was referred to the arbitration of Mr. Plummer. An award was made in January, 1922, in April an application to enforce was made, and the order was granted on August 5th, the amount being \$43,000.

The object of the application was to set up a cross-demand and also bring before the Court the sum of \$23,500, which had been already paid.

Counsel went on to explain that Mr. Nemazee alleged an overpayment and a cross-demand, which made a total of \$125,000. He claimed that the summary process of the Court should not run against him. His cross-claim was more than the award by about \$75,000.

Where on an application for summary enforcement of an award, under section 12, the respondent had what appeared to be a *bona fide* cross-claim, counsel submitted, the summary process should be refused and the applicant left to his own remedy by action, notwithstanding the fact that the cross-demand was never before the arbitrator and that it arose subsequent to the making of the award. Further, counsel contended that if the right to proceed summarily was doubtful the applicant would again be left to his remedy by action.

Counsel said he would endeavour to establish that the practice before the arbitrators was in accordance with these processes and that the Arbitration Act had not altered this practice but had merely expedited and had left the practice unchanged.

Counsel then went on to argue his points. The case is proceeding.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CLUB.

Farewell To Service Members.

A number of Service members of the Catholic Men's Club are proceeding home by H.M.S. *Vindictive*, some are going on leave, and some, as a wit put it, have been "axed" to leave. To bid them farewell a smoking concert was held at the Club last night, Father Purcell presiding.

The concert was an excellent one, and included such excellent entertainers as Father Purcell, Messrs. Haig, Jenkinson Aquino, Coupe, Casway, Pender Grass, Fane, Fisher, Prior, Thompson, Laov, Baptista, Rosario, McDonald and Archer.

During the course of the evening the Chairman, in a short speech, wished the voyagers "good luck." Mr. Bayley replying, gave thanks to the Club for their hospitality. It was an institution where rank and social standing were forgotten and good fellow-ship prevailed.

"SUI AN" PIRACY.

Reported Capture of Pirates.

Our Canton correspondent states that it is reported that a number of the pirates who took part in the ransacking of the Sui An have been captured.

It is said that the pirates were tracked down in various villages near Shan Mei, the captures having been made by the Chinese authorities at Fan Wo Kong and Shan Liu, in the Pinghoi district.

The report further states that, in addition to the capturing of the pirates, a considerable quantity of booty stolen from the Sui An has been discovered.

Master Gives Evidence.

Captain Bires gave evidence at the resumed Sui An piracy enquiry this afternoon. The Chairman, Mr. J. R. Wood, went through the Piracy Regulations with this witness.

With regard to the regulations as far as the construction of the ship was concerned, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, who is watching the proceedings on behalf of the Company, mentioned that everything had passed by the Government Marine Surveyor.

Capt. Bires said the baggage room of the first and second class passengers was not kept locked. The second class passengers were kept divided from the first class main deck. They had access to the bridge deck, but were not allowed up there. The last time the arms and ammunition were inspected was during the strike, and about a month ago an inspector came and took a sample of a guard's ammunition. Capt. Bires inspected the arms and ammunition every week, but he did not put the guards through any exercises. He understood that the danger zone was outside the harbour limits. If there were four guards on duty, only two had rifles.

The enquiry is proceeding.

DAY BY DAY.

The Governor-in-Council at Canton has appointed special commissions to draft regulations for the creation of a Labor Bureau and for more representative local self-government.

The Canton Government, it is reported, will advise the overseas Chinese not to subscribe further to war funds for the use of one faction only, as their patriotism along this line will increase the disorder now in the country.

The men of the Canton City Cleaning Service under the Bureau of Public Health are still out on strike demanding specie payment. The street cleaning coolies receive but eight dollars a month without board, a poor pay enough. Efforts are being made to improve their conditions, it is understood.—*Canton Times*.

The inhabitants of Waichow are (says the *Canton Times*) opposing the mining of limestone from the White Man's Flower Hill, Pak Mong Fah, Waichow, for export, as this article is being used by local people for fertilizers. The inhabitants have alleged that a Chinese concern supported by foreign interest is offering a royalty to the Canton Government to mine the limestone from this section of the country.

An armed robbery took place at 11.30 last night in Peel Street, according to a report made to the police by the tenant of No. 13. He states that four men entered his cubicle, one of them being armed with a dagger. One of the men said he was a policeman, but the intruders proceeded to gag the tenant with a pocket handkerchief. They robbed him of \$30 in money, some deposit receipts worth \$350 and clothing worth \$15.50. The robbers made good their escape.

SEAPLANES FOR CANTON.

A General's Scheme Approved.

Our Canton correspondent reports that Canton is soon likely to have a fleet of seaplanes. General Wong Kung has for some time been advising the provision of such a service, and it is now announced that General Chan King-ming has approved the idea.

A piece of ground has been set aside at Shek Cairn for the site of an aerodrome, and already a number of representatives of foreign firms have called on General Chan in the hope of securing orders for the provision of the machines.

MYSTERY & HUMOUR.

To-morrow's Attraction.

A season of laughter and mystery opens at the Theatre Royal to-morrow night, when the clever illusionists, Chafalo and Palermo, who are already well-known to Hongkong, will make their appearance. Chafalo has much that is new in his repertoire, and his performance will be punctuated by flashes of humour, causing the audience to laugh as much as to wonder. Mlle. Palermo, who charmingly assists Chafalo, will demonstrate her ability to make bewildering changes of costumes.

Other features of the performance to be given will be the Spanish Dance, and the real Argentine Tango, by Chafalo and Palermo, as well as a number of any exercises. He understood that the danger zone was outside the harbour limits. If there were four guards on duty, only two had rifles.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

A notice of interest to members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders appears on Page 4.

The Grand Italian Opera Company are paying a return visit.—Pages 4 and 12.

Margerie Rambeau is appearing at the Coronet Theatre in "The Fortune Teller"—Pages 7 and 12.

"Rigaud" Perfumes from Paris are on sale here.—Page 4.

The attraction at the Star Theatre is "Wagon Tracks"—Page 12.

Consignees are advised of the arrival of the s.s. "Mentor"—Page 4.

LISTEN!

When you advertise you are putting through a deal with Friend Public.

A General Meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Club will be held on the 15th inst.—Page 4.

"A Midnight Romance" is the feature at the Kowloon Theatre to-night.—Page 12.

Tenders are invited by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwan-tung for riveting work.—Page 4.

Moutrie's give illustrations and prices of pianos on pages 6 and 12.

Mackintosh & Co. are offering pyjamas at special prices.—Page 8.

Chafalo and Palermo open at the Theatre Royal on Saturday the 9th.—Page 4.

The feature at the World Theatre is "A Mountain Woman"—Page 12.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.3/16d.

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Lighting-Up Time to-day 5.39 p.m.

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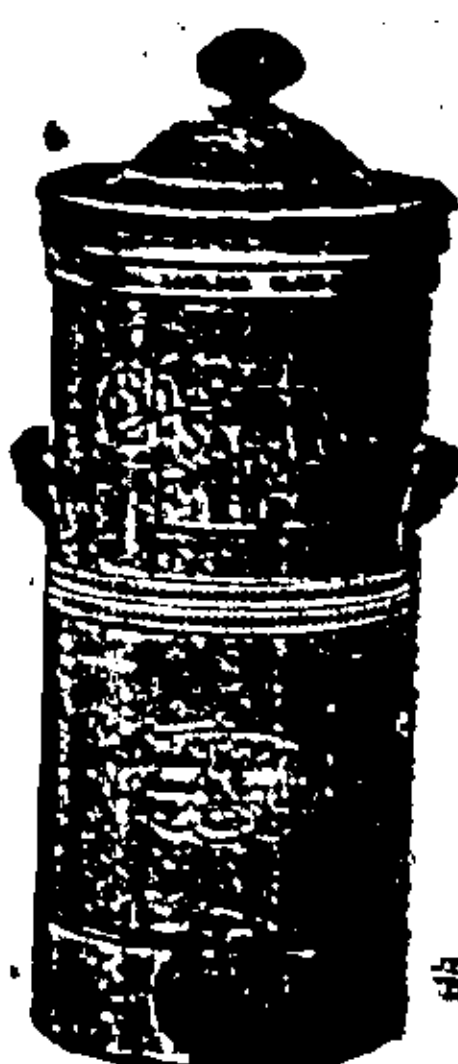
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

DEBT FUNDING NEGOTIATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 7.
The similarity of interest between Great Britain and the United States in the debt funding negotiations is suggested in the testimony of Mr. Wadsworth, Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Treasury and also Secretary of the Debt Funding Commission, given before the recent secret session of the House of Representatives' Appropriations Committee and published in connection with the report on the Annual Treasury Supply Bill. Mr. Wadsworth indicated the advisability of settling first with Britain, suggesting that when this was completed both Governments would have the same interests as creditor nations.

STRONG PLEA FOR GERMANY.

London, Dec. 7.
The Executive of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce has submitted a resolution to the Premier, urging the granting of a moratorium in connection with the International Loan to Germany.

The fixation of reasonable indemnity, the International Control of the German Customs to supervise the imposition of an import and export tax and pay interest and amortization of the loan, and the withdrawal of military occupation at as early a date as possible is also urged.

THE RULES OF WARFARE.

The Hague, Dec. 7.
Councillor of State Struycken and Professor Vaneyssinga have been appointed to represent the Netherlands on the International Commission of Jurists to consult upon and revise the rules of warfare at a meeting to be convened at The Hague on December 11.

The Communist Deputy, Mr. Wynkoop, asked permission in the Second Chamber to be allowed to interpellate the Government on its attitude towards the Peace Congress of the International Federation of Workers to be held at The Hague next week. The request was put to the vote and rejected by 60 to 18.

A CONSPIRACY CHARGE.

London, Dec. 7.
Edwin Alexander Enever, director of a number of companies, who is believed to have promoted some companies connected with the Far East, and William Henry Bennett were charged at Westminster Police Court with conspiracy to defraud. The latter was remanded on bail of £1,000; the former was refused bail. The magistrate remarked that large sums appeared to be involved.

ALLIED PREMIERS' CONFERENCE.

London, Dec. 7.
Signor Mussolini, the Italian Premier, is due to arrive in Paris to-morrow (Friday) to converse with M. Poincare, previous to journeying to London to attend the conference of Allied Premiers at the weekend, at which a common agreement must be reached before the Brussels Conference can be called.

Under any circumstances, the Brussels Conference is not likely to open before Parliament rises on December 15, in order to enable Mr. Bonar Law to attend.

GERMAN VITRIOL THROWERS SENTENCED.

Berlin, Dec. 7.
The two youths, Huster and Oelschlaeger, have been sentenced at Leipzig to 10 years' penal servitude for throwing vitriol over the former Chancellor, Herr Scheidemann. The crime was committed on Whit Sunday.

FOOTBALL.

To-Morrow's Teams.

The following will represent the Wonders to-morrow against H.M.S. Antares in the 2nd Division of the League:—Peterson, Pinn, Dawson, Fitz-Gibbon, Arnold, Dedear, Neal, Dyer, Caples, Woods, Chant.

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon in both Divisions to-morrow.

1st Div. Kowloon v King's School. Kick off at 1 p.m.—Woodman, Wheeler, Knight, Morrison, King, McKelvie, Clemons, Mason, Dwyer, Duncan, A. Thomas, Reserves: Milburn.

2nd Div. Kowloon v King's School. Kick off at 4.15 p.m.—Barnes, Bennett, Blagden, Duncan, G. Banner, Giller, Hooper, Hunt, Ferguson, Spary, Payne, Johns, Reserves: Easterbrook.

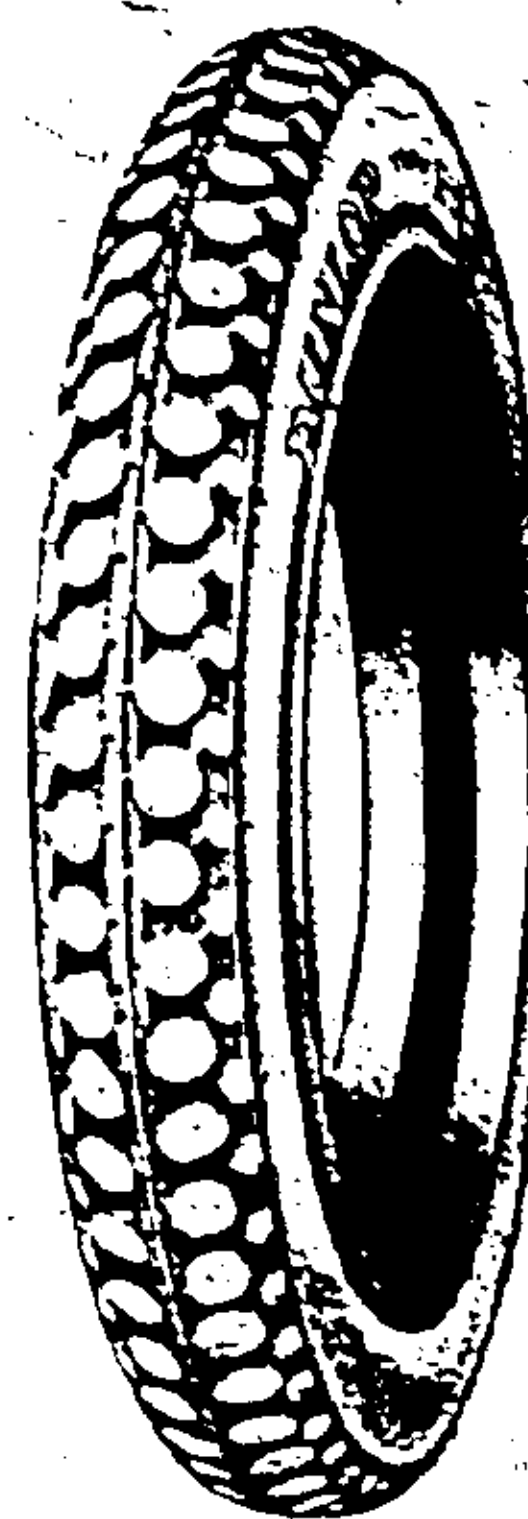
At an extraordinary general meeting of the Kowloon Football Club, held Wednesday evening, Mr. C. Gordon of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. was unanimously elected Chairman of the Club for the current year.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the C.R.C. in a League match against the R.G.A. at Causeway Bay on Saturday, commencing at 2.15 p.m.—C. Choa, H. C. Hung, Ng Sze-kwong, G. Lee, M. W. Lo, Wong Si-to, M. K. Lo, W. Hung, H. Ching, Shi Yuk-kwan and Lai Kuen. Reserve: J. M. Tan.

A WARNING TO MOTHERS.

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A Magnificent Ship.

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To celebrate her arrival here, the local Manager of the N. Y. K., Mr. K. H. Kamei, invited a party of foreign and native pressmen to tiffin on board yesterday, and there was nothing but genuine praise to be heard of this latest addition to the N.Y.K. fleet.

The Nagasaki Maru, which is commanded by Captain S. Ikawa, was built on the Clyde by William Dennis Bros., under Lloyd's special survey, and complies with all the latest Board of Trade requirements for passenger ships. She has a gross tonnage of 5,500 and a displacement of 6,150 tons. Her over-all length is 410 feet; her beam is 54 feet, and she has a depth of 32 feet. Her average speed is 18½ knots. She has first-class accommodation for 157 passengers, and 200 third class. She is driven by twin screws, worked by single geared reduction turbines, which reduce the vibration of the engines to a minimum, thus ensuring every comfort for the passengers. Comfort seems to be the predominant feature of the vessel, both in the saloon and the third class quarters. The dining rooms, smoking rooms and several of the cabins

are fitted in comfort almost bordering on the luxurious. The only fault that one could find with the fittings is that a passenger might feel too much inclined to spend his time under shelter, rather than take exercise on the deck.

Safety Precautions.

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The dining saloon is located on the awning deck, and has a large number of windows on three sides, admitting a plentiful supply of light and air. A large well, opening into the social hall above, is surrounded by highly decorative bronze railings. In the social room, which is elegantly furnished, there is a marble chimney piece with an electrical "magical fire," surmounted by a fine mirror in an ornamental gilt frame. The furniture is of a refined kind, including a semi-grand piano.

Automatic Devices.

The smoking room on the promenade deck is also elaborately fitted, with comfortable easy chairs, sofas and card tables. A spacious verandah deck, equipped with wicker chairs and settees, opens from the smoking room. A novel feature, which is not often seen, is the electric light indicator on the captain's bridge. In the event of one of the electric lights on the masthead or the fore or stern lights extinguishing, a bell automatically rings on the indicator, and the light can be immediately switched on again.

In the sleeping quarters, some of the cabins are fitted with ordinary

beds, in addition to comfortable sofas. Some of these bed-rooms are as luxurious as rooms in a first class hotel. Another feature which will be welcomed by passengers is the hot and cold air ventilators, which regulate the temperature in all weathers.

Inspection.

Various members of the N.Y.K., in addition to a few guests, after inspecting the vessel yesterday, had tiffin at the invitation of the manager, Mr. K. H. Kamei.

In proposing the toast of the guests, Mr. Kamei stated that some years ago, when he was in the United States, the N. Y. K. was not nearly as well-known as it was at the present day. He often found that the letters "N. Y. K." were misunderstood, and that Americans thought they referred to a New York concern. Now, however, things were very different, and the Company was well known. Everyone in Far Eastern ports was now familiar with the Company. The present service was inaugurated in 1875 by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, but the N. Y. K. took over from that company in 1885. Since that time the Company had made every possible effort, and spent much money in maintaining and improving the service. The Nagasaki Maru was the sister ship of the Shanghai Maru, which would shortly sail to the Far East from England. Inasmuch as Japan, like England, was an island empire, it was bound up with commerce and trade. Relations between the various countries could not be deepened by diplomacy or politics, but by mercantile and commercial undertakings.

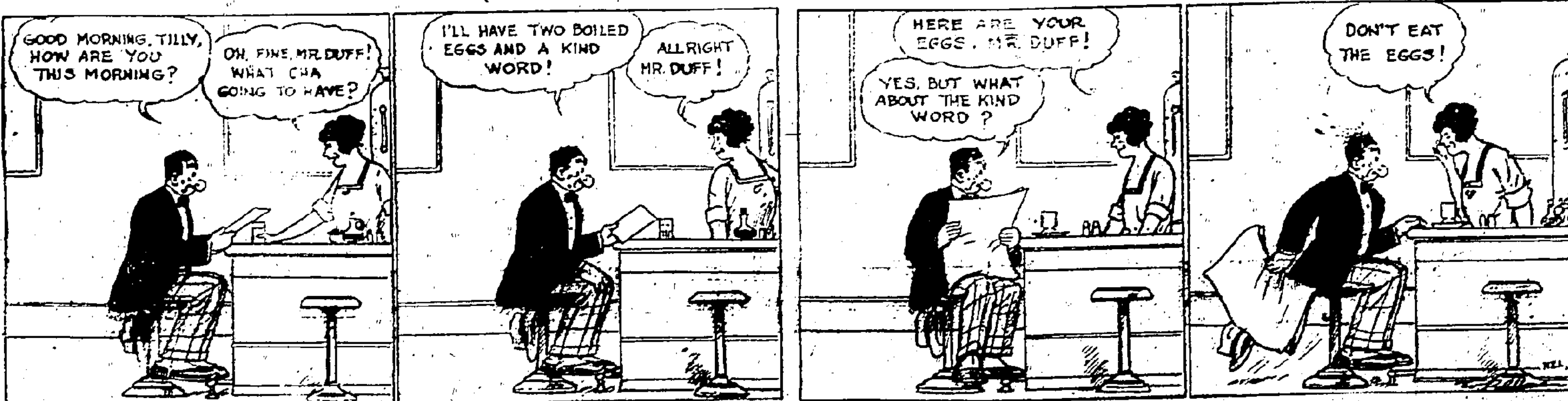
Replying to the toast, on behalf of the visitors, and also toasting the N.Y.K., Mr. B. Hale stated that the service was unsurpassed by any other between the Far East and Europe. The Nagasaki Maru was a credit to any steamship company in the world.

Speaking on behalf of the Chinese visitors to the vessel a Chinese pressman said that the fact of the N. Y. K.'s being able to run ships of the type of the Nagasaki Maru was proof of the company's enterprise and it was also a credit to the whole of Asia, of which Japan was so powerful a part.

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"SUI AN" ENQUIRY.

Yesterday's Evidence.

The enquiry into the Sui An piracy
 was continued yesterday afternoon.
 Mr. J. R. Wood (the Chairman) and
 all the Commissioners were present.
 The first witness was Mr. M.
 Mello. He saw at least 30 to 40
 pirates.

The Chairman wanted to know
 whether there was a woman amongst
 them.

Witness: I noticed a pirate dressed
 in women's clothes. I don't
 know whether she was a woman. I
 noticed that she was wearing white
 silk stockings, an overcoat and a
 dark brown fur hat. She had two
 revolvers in her hands. All the time
 she was asking for the grill to be
 opened. I was in the purser's room
 and she was on the other side of
 the grill. She was yelling for men
 to bring the key, or else, she said
 she would shoot down everyone.

What time was it you saw this
 woman?—About 1.30 a.m.

It was dark?—Yes, but she was
 holding a lamp.

The witness added that the woman
 was wearing a mask and had a re-
 volver in each hand. There were
 several pirates immediately behind
 her, one of whom was carrying the
 lamp. "There was an English fel-
 low there," the witness continued.
 "I said: 'Just take notice of the
 lady.' She was looking at us
 so much that I was afraid
 she would shoot. I do not know
 whether she was a woman or a man,
 but she looked like a woman. Her
 height was about five feet two
 inches. When I asked Inspector
 Kent, he said that she was a woman.
 Nearly every one of the pirates had
 orders to look for the purser. The
 key of the safe was thrown on the
 table and they forced me to open
 the safe. I knew how to open the
 safe and I had to open it."

Did you see this woman among the
 passengers before the piracy began?
 —No, I do not remember seeing her.
 What dialect did the woman
 speak?—I should say she was speak-
 ing Cantonese. She could not speak
 Hakka properly. She was wearing a
 mask made of a white handkerchief.

The witness went on to say that
 the robbers rifled the safe, taking
 away several hundred dollars. He
 noticed the pirates leaving the ship.
 They jumped from the holds into
 the sampans.

Did you see them take off any
 wounded person?—No.

The witness said the pirates were
 looking for the commodore and
 were enquiring for the key of his
 safe. "They gave me a lot of keys.
 Some of them belonged to the Hong-
 kong Hotel private rooms."

Called Him "Friend."

The witness referred to an incident
 when he was taken to the Captain,
 who was lying on the deck wounded.
 One of the pirates shook him and
 put a light in his face. "I said: 'Did
 you shoot him?' and one of the men
 said: 'He shot at us first and we
 shot him back in defence.' The
 pirate then said: 'You please ask him
 for the key of the commodore's
 safe.' I asked the Captain, but he
 appeared to be only half conscious.
 They wanted to throw the Captain
 overboard. They said: 'He is going
 to die soon, we might as well throw
 him overboard as we do not want
 any corpses on board.' I told them
 not to throw him overboard as he
 was only shot. I said: 'You come
 here to rob money, not to kill per-
 sons.' He said: 'Suppose we leave
 him, what shall we do?' They help-
 ed me to carry the Captain inside.
 We laid him down and went away
 to the bridge. I saw the Chief
 Officer sitting on the deck. The
 pirates asked the Chief Officer for
 the key and he told them it was
 with the commodore. Then he told
 me to tell the Chief Officer to go
 with them and point out the com-
 modore. The Chief Officer said he
 had only joined the ship three days.
 One of the pirates was calling me
 "Friend" all the time.

You say you had a good look at
 the pirates when they went ashore?
 —I could just recognise about four
 or five.

Mr. J. H. Pidgeon spoke to being
 called upon by the pirates to help
 take the boat. He was at the wheel
 for three hours. They passed close
 to Cheung Chau and then went out-
 side Lamna Island. He saw no
 woman among the pirates.

Mr. D. K. Kharas stated that for
 quite half an hour the robbers were
 very excited and appeared to have
 no leader. They were continually

calling out "Cheung Chau." "I
 offered them my silver watch," he
 said, "but they gave it me back.
 Then I took out my glasses and they
 said they did not want them. They
 afterwards covered me up with a
 blanket and told me to lie down.
 They came to search me about eight
 times.

The witness stated that he heard
 a woman's voice shouting on
 "Cheung Chau." He did not re-
 cognise any of the robbers as first
 class passengers. They took all the
 loot into the third class and loaded
 into the sampans in the morning.
 The witness said that when he was
 lying down he spoke to the second
 officer of one of the Jardine's boats
 who was behind him. He was afraid
 of being kidnapped and said to him:
 "Go first to Wiseman's and then
 send a wire to my wife that I am
 alright."

The Illusive Woman.

Mr. Ernest Herbert Holmes, the
 Chief Officer of the Pheonipon, who
 was a passenger on the Sui An,
 spoke to seeing two Indian guards
 bring on three pirates. When the
 pirates had got control they search-
 ed for someone to steer the ship and
 he volunteered and was taken to the
 bridge. When on the bridge two
 pirates came up dressed in women's
 clothes. They wore skirts and
 European hats. The chief pirate
 was in a grey fur coat, given him
 by one of the other pirates. It was
 taken from a passenger.

The Chairman: One of the stories
 going about is that the leader of the
 pirates was a woman. Can you sup-
 port that story?

Witness: Well, I saw some one like
 a woman on the deck.

The witness added that he did not
 see the woman leaving the ship,
 neither did he notice any wounded
 being removed. The Sui An passed
 quite close to a revenue cruiser near
 a small island at the Western side
 of the entrance to Hongkong har-
 bour. In the distance a Customs
 cutter signalled to them and he
 signalled back: "We require medical
 assistance."

Replying to Commander Backwith,
 Mr. Holmes said the Sui An passed
 fairly close to Waglan lighthouse.
 Answering Mr. Lake, he said the
 pirates refused to allow them to use
 the signalling lights.

By Mr. Shenton: The ship could
 be easily seen from Cheung Chau
 island when it was passing there.
 It ought to have been a matter
 of suspicion to see a boat going by
 without any lights on at all. —Yes.
 We passed quite close to a fishing
 boat of quite 100 junks there.

Further questioned, the witness
 said the Customs people at San
 Mun ought to have seen the ship.

In answer to the Chairman, Mr.
 Holmes said he saw a Chinese man
 and woman on board the vessel on
 the outward journey, but he did not
 notice them on the return.

Mr. T. H. King, Deputy Super-
 intendent of Police, stated that he
 went on board the Sui An when
 she arrived in harbour on the 20th
 November. The ship was in a state
 of disorder. The wounded were dis-
 embarked and he gave instructions
 to Inspector Kent, Inspector Angus
 and other police officers as to what
 steps to take.

The Chairman: Do you know any-
 thing about the Police Department
 carrying out the Piracy regulations?
 Have you any responsibility?—I
 have no particular responsibility my-
 self. It does not come under me.

Mr. King stated that some little
 time before the piracy occurred, he
 gave instructions that all arms
 carried under the Piracy Prevention
 Ordinance were to be examined.
 The inspection on the river boats
 had been completed but not on the
 larger boats.

regulations were being carried
 out?—I have seen one case in the
 Press but it is not within my per-
 sonal knowledge.

Commander Backwith asked
 whether the Indian guards pro-
 vided for the ships were ex-sol-
 diers.

Mr. King replied that a great
 many of them were. The ex-
 soldiers were put on the most
 important boats, including the
 river boats. Some of them were
 given drills every year.

Are they dummy drills or live
 drills? Do they fire a musketry
 course?—I know some of them
 have fired.

Mr. McL. Messer: In your ex-
 perience, Mr. King, do you think
 the piracy regulations are of any
 use?

Mr. King: They are of use as
 a deterrent rather than a remedy.
 If these regulations were car-
 ried out properly do you think
 they would deter pirates from
 these attacks?—Yes, Sir. My ex-
 perience is that they would go to
 ships where there were no piracy
 precautions.

The Chairman: That means
 that if every ship obeyed the re-
 gulations they would go out of
 business. (Laughter).

Mr. Lake, remarking that the
 mariner was not necessarily of a
 militant nature, asked whether
 anyone with military knowledge
 visited the ships and pointed out
 the most effective places of de-
 fence.

Mr. King thought that would
 rest chiefly with the Government
 Marine Surveyor.

But suppose the Government
 Surveyor has no military knowl-
 edge?—Ships vary in construc-
 tion and it is impossible to lay
 down hard and fast rules as to
 the exact spots where guards must
 be. My impression is that the
 actual placing of the guards is
 left chiefly to the Captains of the
 ships provided they are obeying
 the regulations.

The Chairman: One of the re-
 gulations says that cargo on board
 has to be stowed away in the holds,
 away from the passengers. Is
 your Department responsible for
 seeing that regulation is carried
 out?—No Sir, I do not regard it
 as such.

Mr. King added that where
 breaches of the regulations had
 been found, the police reported to
 the Captain Superintendent of
 Police.

Have reports of the breach of
 that particular regulation been
 sent in?—Not to my knowledge.

Mr. Shenton pointed out that
 representations had been made by
 the Chamber of Commerce to the
 Colonial Secretary on that point.

Mr. Shenton asked whether it
 was not asking too much of the
 Master of the ship that he should
 not only be navigation officer but
 see to the defence of the ship as
 well.

Mr. King replied that the Cap-
 tain had charge of the disposition
 of the guards.

Mr. Shenton: It is eminently a
 case where assistance from
 superior police officers might be
 of very great value in assisting
 in the defence of a ship. As far
 as one can gather it is left en-
 tirely to the navigating officer to
 decide upon the mode of defence
 and no assistance whatever is
 received, so far as I can see from
 the police.

Mr. King stated the guards had
 their duties explained to them
 before they were handed over.
 Afterwards they were in the hands
 of the Captain.

Further, replying to Mr. Shen-
 ton, Mr. King said there was one
 police patrol launch on the other
 side of the island on the night of
 the piracy. If the regulations
 had been carried out he did not
 think the ship could have been
 surprised so completely as it was.

Tell me the particular regula-
 tion to which you refer?—The re-
 ports I received from passengers
 were to the effect that there was
 free access all over the ship.

Mr. Shenton pointed to the fact
 that the regulations did not re-
 quire that the grills should be
 kept locked.

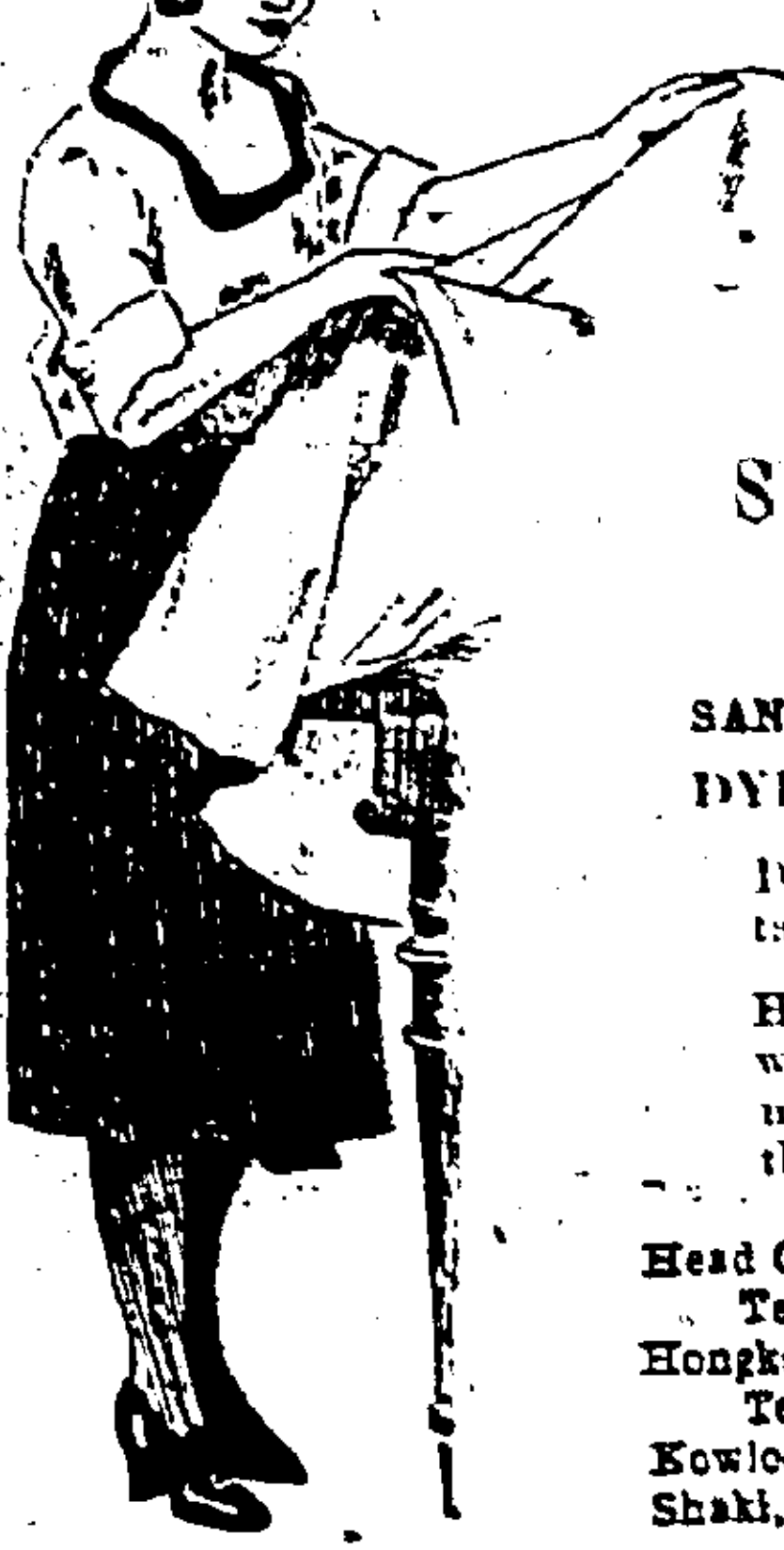
In the course of further ques-
 tioning, Mr. McL. Messer said that
 there were two guards down be-
 low. It was not necessary to have
 these there and he believed a
 letter had been sent to the Com-
 pany to this effect.

Replying to Mr. Lyson, Mr. King
 said he first heard of the piracy
 when the C. S. P. instructed him
 at 11 o'clock on Monday morning
 to proceed to the ship. It was, of
 course, known the night before
 that the Sui An was overdue.

Four Chinese passengers having
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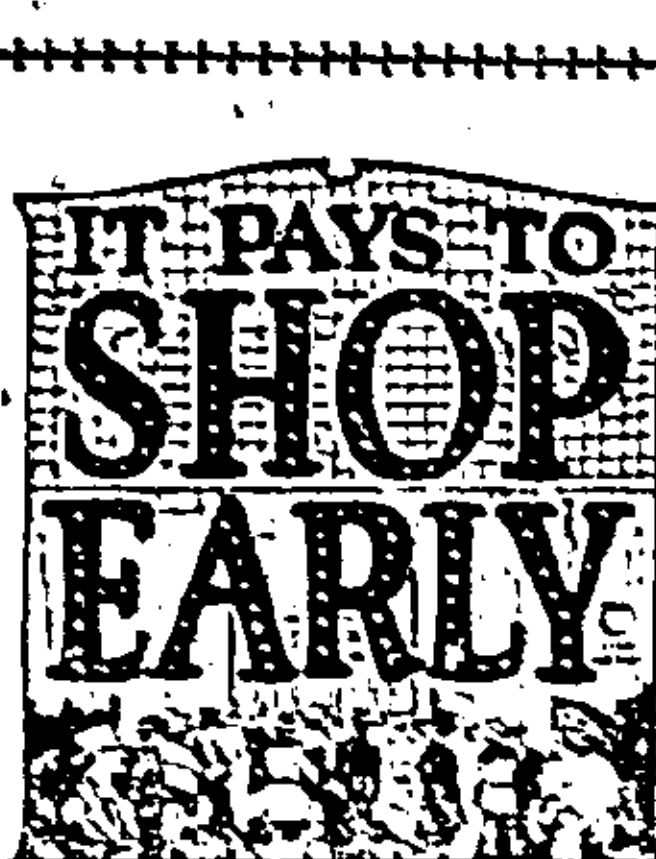
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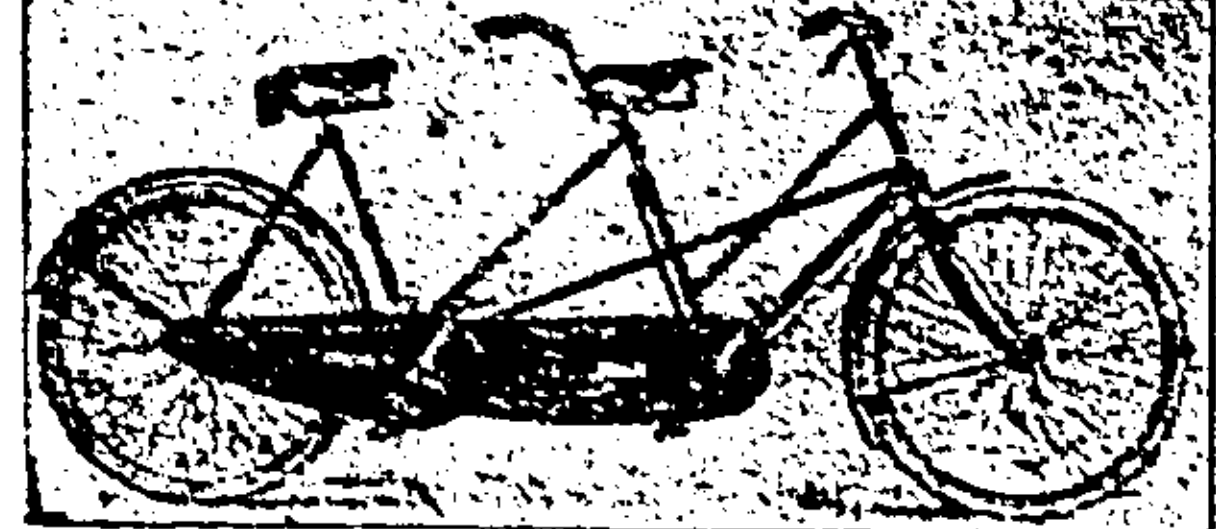
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to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Brooks, a
son.
MILLES.—On Dec. 8th. at 10,
Branksome Towers, the wife of
H. G. L. Milles, Chartered Bank,
a son. (S.S. and F.M.S. papers
please copy.)

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 8th Dec., 1922.

THE NEW IRELAND.

Ireland has a chance of "making
good." That sums up the present
situation. The Irish Free State,
with its own Parliament, its own
domestic administration, and, in
fact, all the privileges that have
been granted to our great
Dominions overseas, has a fine
opportunity before it of becoming,
after centuries of bitter strife, a
peaceful and prosperous part
of the British Empire. For Ireland,
separation from the Empire
would not only have been a
tragedy; it would have been a
disaster to the Irish race and a
continuous menace to Britain.
The men who drew up the terms
of the Treaty which is now bear-
ing its first fruit, wrought splen-
dently, and everywhere in the
Empire, we have no doubt, there
will be heard a sigh of relief
over the settlement, and a fervent
hope that the final solution has
been found. The choice of Mr.
Timothy Healy as the first Gov-
ernor-General of the new Ireland
is certainly a stroke of genius.
"Tim" Healy is just 67 years
of age, but is in no way too
old for the post. His appoint-
ment will undoubtedly dispose of
any suspicions of England that
the extreme Nationalists in
Ireland might have had, for Mr.
Healy is one of the most promi-
nent of the Independent Nation-
alists, and even suffered imprison-
ment in 1882 for his activities as
a Land Leaguer. His abilities can-
not be questioned either. He has
for many years, going as far back
as 1880, represented different Irish
Constituencies in Parliament,
being the member for N. E. Cork
from 1910 to 1918. He comes of
an old, well-known family of
South Ireland, and was called
to the Irish Bar in 1884, being
made a Queen's Counsel in 1899
and a King's Counsel in 1910.
May he have every success in
the very important position which
has now fallen to his lot.

It is impossible not to feel
grieved at the probability of
further strife in Ireland. There
are extremists in the Nationalist
section of the country who
apparently will never be content
with anything short of an inde-
pendent Republic. We believe
their numbers are diminishing,
and sincerely trust that in time

they will be no more than an un-
pleasant, but impotent, minority
among Erin's population. De
Valera if he wished to, could
really serve his country now by
throwing in his lot with the
forces of law and order, otherwise
his name will become a byword
in the land. In Ulster, too, there
are many hotheads, but we do
not think there will be any per-
manent opposition from that
quarter. If the nation is unable
to muzzle men like Lord Carson
in future, it can, and will, know
how much store to set by his
utterances. That he should be bit-
ter is to be expected. Perhaps he
cannot get over the fact that the
new Governor-General once
wrote a very clever book entitled
"The Great Fraud of Ulster."
All that is required now is an
attempt by all parties to forget
the mutual wrongs inflicted dur-
ing the past, and an honest
striving to work in co-operation
in future. Let Protestant and
Catholic alike, Free State and
Republican, Ulsterite or Orange-
man and Southern Independent,
bury the hatchet for good, and
perhaps in a very few years the
world will see one of the greatest
achievements of our era, an
Ireland new-born, with the tragic
history of several centuries
nothing but an unpleasant
memory to its people, and to its
neighbours of British stock. May
Ireland never look back.

Is it Necessary?

Some of those to whom it is
given to visit our local Police
Courts must often have wondered
why it is necessary in this Colony
to make so many of the poorer
class Chinese offenders in the eyes
of the law. There are countless
cases dealt with every week which
are never reported in the local
newspapers, but which reveal in
the Chinese either a singular
ignorance of certain regulations or
a complete indifference to them.
Let us cite one or two of this
week's cases. Three honest but
poor women had been diligently
searching for shell fish in the
sand or mud off Mong Kok and
then tried to sell their "catch"
in the streets of Yau-ma-tei. They
were hauled before the Magistrate
and fined, obviously very much
to their surprise. A young man
of Sai Wan, just past Shaokwan,
went hawking, although he had
applied for a licence but had been
refused one. He, too, was cap-
tured by some "smart Alek" of
a constable and brought all the
way to the Central Police Station
and later fined. Two men went
gathering wood on the hillsides;
they were caught by a Forest
Guard, arrested and later fined.
Only yesterday morning, several
shopkeepers found themselves in
Court answering summonses for
obstruction because they had
either packing cases or other
goods on the pavement outside
their shops. There was a fine of
\$5 in each case. And so one
could go on, reciting almost en-
dless petty cases in which the
Chinese are victimised through
what appears to be sheer
ignorance. For ourselves we do
not think that the
women cockle-sellers knew
they were doing wrong, or
that one half of the summary
cases brought into Court are the
result of anything else than
ignorance. We are open to cor-
rection in this view, but we think,
from observation when the cases
are in Court, that something more
might be done to let all and
sundry know just where it is
they begin to break the law. A
man carrying a basket of chicken
in Yau-ma-tei was stopped by a
woman and asked if he would
sell one; he naturally said he
would if she paid the right price,
but he was arrested by a constable
nearby for hawking without a
licence. It all seems a little hard
on our native population. Could
not some publicity campaign be
carried out to inform local
Chinese of what they can and
cannot do? British justice is fair
enough when it gets into Court,
but in this Colony it is rather
strained in the streets.

Naval Strength.

Judging from recent cables to
hand, Britain is following a
rather foolish policy of delay in
regard to naval matters. Under
the terms of the Washington
Agreement, the two new capital
ships already authorised by
Parliament must be laid down by
December 31st, but so far we

DAY BY DAY.

I DO NOT BELIEVE THERE IS
ANY BETTER WAY OF ENSURING
PEACE THAN BY ASSUMING IT.—
Mr. J. M. Keynes.

There was a clean bill of health
in the Colony yesterday, so far as
notifiable diseases were con-
cerned.

Mr. T. Pettie, Editor of the
S. C. M. Post, accompanied by
Mrs. Pettie, returned to the
Colony by the Kamo Maru, after
Home leave.

A Chinese, age 34, living at 33
Park Street, Yau-ma-tei, tried to
commit suicide yesterday by
taking a strong dose of opium.
She has been admitted to hospital.

Amongst the passengers who
arrived by the Kamo Maru were
Mrs. Alabaster, wife of Mr. C. G.
Alabaster, K.C. Mr. and Mrs. F.
C. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Fawcett, Mr. J. P. Puchon and
Mr. A. Scott.

Mr. Justice Skinner Turner, of
Shanghai, arrived by the Kamo
Maru yesterday and broke his
journey here to sit as a Judge in
the Full Court. Mrs. Turner and
daughter are proceeding to
Shanghai by the same boat.

The Chief Officer of the s.s.
Kwah Yik has reported to the
police that between 1 a.m. and 4
a.m. yesterday someone broke
into the ship's storeroom and
stole nine coils of rope, valued at
\$70, and also three deck awnings,
valued at \$300.

Our Picture Page to-morrow
will contain groups taken at the
weddings of Mr. C. W. Pennett
(of Shanghai) and Miss Tomlinson
and of Mr. M. Andres and Miss
M. M. da Rocha; a group photo of
members of the Tai-koo Rifle Club;
as well as other pictures of
interest.

Our Canton correspondent says
that according to a report from
Wuchow, the troops in Kwangsi
perceiving the superiority of the
Cantonese forces, are seeking to
effect a reconciliation with the
authorities at Wuchow, and there
are hopes of an early settlement
of the trouble.

A Chinese, who had been ban-
ished twice from the Colony, was
again arrested yesterday. He
was banished in 1917 but came
back in 1918, when he was ban-
ished for life. When he was
charged this morning before Mr.
J. R. Wood he was sentenced to
12 months' hard labour.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood at the
Police Court this morning, the
two soldiers of the Cantonese
Army, who were arrested on
board the Canton express on
Wednesday with a dagger each in
their possession, were discharged.
His Worship stated that they got
on to the wrong train at Shekling
and intended to go to Canton
instead of to Hongkong. He
suggested that they should be
sent back to Canton by the police.
With regard to the charge of
travelling without paying their
fare, the defendants were also
discharged.

have not progressed beyond the
stage in which the Government
is "considering" spending the
money on them. Reading the
figures just cited in Parliament
with regard to capital ships, we
are left with the impression that
Britain stands to lose in naval
power as a result of the present
policy, whether the Washington
Treaty is ratified or not. If
the Treaty is not ratified, the
United States will have a
distinct superiority over other
naval Powers, for her capital
ships of fighting value will
almost equal the aggregate
of the two other big naval Powers.
Particularly in post-Jutland ships
she will have a big advantage
over other nations. This attempt
at "a naval holiday," which is
the outcome of the Washington
Conference, does not look at all
promising. From one standpoint
—that of disarmament—it was
doomed to failure from its very
inception, since a percentage
reduction could in no way prevent
future wars. If enforced, it would
admittedly cause a considerable
saving of money, which could
be devoted to more beneficial
purposes, but we cannot free our-
selves from a suspicion that, in
view of the present uncertainty
caused by doubts as to whether
the Treaty will be ratified, Britain
is running the risk of sacrificing
her naval power, whilst other
nations are far more prudently
safeguarding their interests.

CARELESS BLASTING.

Big Contractor Smartly
Fined.

As Inspector Kent was walking
along the footpath near the
University Recreation Ground
last Sunday afternoon on his way
to the Kennedy Town station, a
sudden explosion took place in
front of him. There had been no
warning gong, neither was a man
stationed out with a warning flag
as there should have been.

In consequence, Sang Lee, the
well-known contractor, was sum-
moned before Mr. R. E. Lindell
this morning for carrying out
blasting operations in a manner
contrary to the regulations.

Inspector Kent stated that if
he had been a few paces ahead,
he would have been right in the
path of the explosion. Even as
it was, a quantity of small pieces
of rock fell where he was. No
gong was sounded, nor was any
warning of any kind given.
The Magistrate imposed a fine
of \$100.

"THE FORTUNE TELLER."

To-day's Coronet Picture.

Those who are interested in
the art of fortune-telling will not
wish to miss to-day's
new picture at the Coronet. It is
a Robertson-Cole production en-
titled "The Fortune-Teller" and
the chief part in it is played
brilliantly by Miss Marjorie
Rambau.

A wife whose scientist husband
divorces her on false grounds,
and thereby deprives her of the
society of her small son, is the
central figure of the story.
Possessing marvellous psychic
gifts, she takes up fortune-
telling as a profession
and becomes known to a
large clientele as "Madame
Renee." To her comes a young
man whom she discovers to be her
son. A mere wreck, physically
and morally, of her former self
she rouses herself when she dis-
covers that the boy's father has
spoiled whatever chances of
success the young man might
have had, and she inspires her
son to do great things without
letting her identity become
known. Leaving her demoralizing
associations behind her, she
leaves her son into society and
business until finally he becomes
a successful candidate for political
honours and the fiancée of the
Governor's daughter. In the
process she achieves her own
regeneration.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

The Latest Changes.

Mr. H. Henry, from reserve
has gone second officer, Chili.

Mr. H. W. Duff, second officer,
Chili, has gone second officer,
Hupeh. Mr. J. Robinson, second
officer, Hupeh, is on leave.

Mr. J. Ryles, acting second
engineer, Cheongtu, has gone
third engineer, same ship.

Mr. W. Orr, from reserve, has
gone sup'y third engineer, Heine
Peking.

Mr. I. J. O. Frank, third engin-
eer, Luanyi, has gone sup'y
third engineer, Suiaog.

Mr. W. A. Kernan, second
officer, Waishing, has gone
second officer, Taisang. Mr. E. T.
Whicker, second officer, Taisang,
is on reserve.

Mr. O. W. R. Basham, chief
officer, Kingsing, is on reserve.

Mr. J. A. Bunting, chief officer,
Koonshing, has gone chief officer,
Kingsing.

Mr. H. Curtis, from reserve,
has gone third officer, Hingsang.

Mr. D. A. Matheson, third officer,
Hingsang, is on reserve.

Mr. H. A. Houchen, chief
officer, Mausing, has gone chief
officer, Fooksang.

Mr. A. Cameron, acting chief
officer, Fooksang, has gone sec-
ond officer, same ship.

Mr. F. M. Ide, from reserve, has
gone chief officer, Tungshing.

Mr. J. S. Masson, chief officer,
Tungshing, has gone chief officer,
Loongsang.

Mr. G. H. Hodgson, chief officer,
Loongsang, has gone chief officer,
Mausing.

Mr. T. Wilkinson, from reserve,
has gone chief officer, Kwong-
sang.

Mr. D. R. Wilson, from reserve,
has gone second officer, Loongwo.

Mr. H. A. Allison, chief officer,
Loongwo, is on leave.

Mr. W. Leishman, second
engineer, Yusan, has gone sup'y
second engineer, Wosang.

Mr. D. Ellis, from leave, has
gone chief engineer, Kiangwo. Mr.
A. Brintan, chief engineer,
Kiangwo, is on reserve. Mr. E. T.
Gorovenco, second officer,
Kwangchi, is on leave.—Shipping
and Engineering.

CRICKET.

A friendly match is to take
place between Kowloon C.C. and
the Navy at Happy Valley to-
morrow, at 2.15 p.m., when the
visitors will be represented by the
following:—B. D. Evans, C. I.
Stapleton, T. M. Cochrane, R.
Pestonji, C. Dance, Capt. E. G.
Spinks, G. A. V. Hall, S. Jax,
L. A. R. Duncan, H. H. Benson
and W. Fraser.

At Kowloon, the K. C. C. 2nd.
XI. will be represented in their
League match against the Royal
Engineers by A. O. Brown, E. J.
Edwards, B. Petherham, W. Hyde,
J. C. Fletcher, N. L. Raiton, C. W.
Jeffries, H. Overy, R. E. Lindell,
W. B. Haslett and F. G. Herdridge.

FOOTBALL.

The following will represent
the United Athletic Club in their
Second Division League fixture
against H.M.S. Marazion:—
Urquhart, Jackson, Chilton,
Kent, Leonard, Derry, Botelho,
Mackenzie, Brown, May and
Chubb.

The following team will re-
present the Hongkong Club in
their League game with the
H. M. S. Hawkins:—Rodger,
Bishop, McCubbin, Israel,
Stewart, McPhail (Capt.), Mc-
Tavish, Forsyth, Begg, Valentine
and England.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The following team will repre-
sent the Hongkong Football Club
against H.M.S. Tamar to-morrow,
at Happy Valley, at 4.30 p.m.:—
Moorsam, Day, Logan, Frowse,
Ritchie, Morris, Lamplugh,
McCaen, Andrews, Moncriel,
Rodger, Brown, Jones, Witchell
and Cameron.

CANTON NEWS.

Policing the West River.

Our Canton correspondent
reports that owing to the lack of
armed launches for the purpose of
policing the West River, General
Chan Wing-sun has been instructed
by headquarters to charter ten
launches of big size and to equip
them with the necessary men and
arms.

It is also reported by our cor-
respondent that, acting on the in-
structions of General Chan King-
ming, General Lau Chang-wan,
on his return to Kwangsi, has
established several recruiting
stations for the absorption of
citizen soldiers, who, for the most
part, lack supplies.

Kum Cheong has decided to
take over the portfolio of Chief of
the Municipality on the 10th
instant.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The General Election must
have interrupted the revision of
the Prayer Book. The subject
was to have come before the
National Assembly of the Church
of England on November 13, but
owing to the difficulty of securing
full attendance during an
election, that meeting is postponed,
or, more probably, the whole
of its business will be carried
over to the spring session next
February. It is 15 years since
the Royal "Letters of Business"
on revision of the Prayer Book
were first issued to Convocation,
and although the revision pro-
posals recently prepared by a
committee have excited con-
siderable opposition, it is held in
Church circles that a decision of
some sort must be made.

Now that the Clarendons of
America have revolted against
the imputations so often cast upon
that ancient name, perhaps the
bearers of other names which
have suffered may be emboldened
to follow suit. Clarence and
Cuthbert and Claude are names
which have long been bracketed
together as suitable subjects for
cheap humour. Algernon has
suffered considerably by its sup-
posed association with the "knut,"
and Edwin has acquired a certain
stigma of silliness in relation to
Angelina. Adolphus is another
name which fails of proper
respect, but William seems to
have weathered the storm
which threatened to over-
whelm it in consequence
of the unpopularity of the
Kaiser. If Clarence and Cuthbert
and Claude with Algy and the
rest of them, decide to go on the
warpath against the mockers,
things should be very lively.

MILLION IN FLIGHT.

Destitute Refugees from Asia Minor.

Sir Valentine Chirol has given his views to an *Observer* representative on the devastation in Asia Minor.

"Relief," said Sir Valentine, "is clearly the most urgent need. People can hardly realise what it means for nearly a million human beings, most of them women and children and elderly men, to be driven to leave their homes and everything they possess just when winter is approaching, and for that million of human beings to be dumped down on a small and frightfully exhausted and impoverished country such as Greece, which itself has only a population of about five millions. This is not a question of politics, although thanks to the policy of their late Government Englishmen cannot repudiate all responsibility for the present catastrophe. It is a question of sheer humanity, of life and death for nearly a million people, and such questions have never yet appealed to the British people in vain. And the numbers of refugees whose lives are at stake are clearly going to increase with the forcible expulsion of the remnants still in Asia Minor, which is the avowed policy of the Turkish rulers."

"It is this policy which must necessarily drive into the background any such scheme of collective co-operation in the work of reconstruction in Asia Minor itself as I at first put forward, for it contemplated an attempt to bring together all those who had suffered from the havoc of war, without distinction of creed or race, to work side by side and rebuild their old homes in the hope that they might thus be redeemed from the life of brigandage to which so many have been driven, and that the racial and religious passions which make them fly at each other's throats would make room for better feelings, even if based only on self-interest. But obviously, such schemes are hopeless in Asia Minor if the Turks are determined to the elimination of all their subject races by their systematic expulsion, and by drafting the few able-bodied male survivors into labour colonies into the interior for the sole benefit of the ruling race. I should like in passing to point out how ruinous the consequences of this policy must be in the long run for the Turks themselves if they destroy the very communities, Greek and Armenian, that have hitherto fulfilled as traders and merchants essential economic functions which the Turks have always proved themselves incapable of fulfilling."

QUESTION OF SETTLEMENT.

"But, until the Turks abandon that policy, our efforts can only be concentrated, I think, on helping towards the settlement of as many unfortunate refugees as possible in Greece itself. There are, I believe, thousands of acres of land in Eastern Macedonia alone reported as capable of being reclaimed for settlement by a party of British engineers who surveyed that region in 1919 at the request of M. Venizelos whilst he was still in power at Athens. They established that there were areas still lying absolutely uncultivated which might support half a million people. But in her present condition of exhaustion and disorganisation and the lack of experience amongst Greek officials generally, foreign assistance, prompt and generous, is essential to success."

"Surely the British people will not withhold that assistance. It is the fashion now to say disparagingly, to say the least, of the Greeks, and their best friends cannot deny many of the charges brought against them, but let us, at any rate, remember that it is the Allies, and, above all, the British Government, who first launched them on their disastrous adventure in Asia Minor, and let us, above all, remember that they were actually our Allies at the end of the Great War instead of being dragged, as but for M. Venizelos they might well have been, by King Constantine into taking sides against us with Germany, who would then have converted Greece into the most formidable base conceivable for submarine warfare, with consequences, on which I need not dwell, to our naval communications throughout the Mediterranean. For that immense, if negative, service, as well as for not a few positive services at a later stage, for instance on the Macedonian front, we surely owe something to Greece. And now is our chance, and indeed our duty, to repay it."

TREES FOR REMEMBRANCE.

Oaks as War Memorials.

In an Essex village oak trees have been planted as memorials to men who died in the war. They bear attached to them the names which they severally commemorate, and the hope has been expressed that other villages will follow the same idea.

It is one which should appeal to pious sentiment. Trees have played an immemorial part in the religion of mankind, and especially of the primitive inhabitants of this island. They have long been taken as emblems of national endurance, for many generations, and, being natural, they can be subject to no changes of aesthetic fashion and to no such risk of dubious approval as all but pronounced masterpieces of handiwork inevitably incur.

It must be confessed that not all our war memorials are successful as works of art. In any case, stone and metal, the usual materials, tend to become conventional if they are repeated everywhere. With care timber can be made to last almost indefinitely; and to the life of living timber, such as the Essex villagers have chosen for their memorial, there can be assigned no date of years to which that of stone or metal can be said to be markedly superior. A tree, however, or a row of trees, is not easy to plant successfully; it is not enough to suppose that when once trees begin to take root they will grow without further care; and the villagers, therefore, like others who plant trees, must see to it that their young oaks are tended over the perils of infancy. But they will have the best motive for protecting and nourishing. They will be, if not the artificers, at least the partners of the architect, the architects of their own landscape, and responsible for its upkeep. In their co-operation with nature they may be happy in the knowledge that no one will ever be able to criticize their taste or its product, for theirs is a medium in which alone all men may work without reproach.

All men cannot be artists, or at all times, and art itself seems to be the by-product of many conditions, which are often difficult of simultaneous fulfilment; but if contemporary constructive taste is insipid, it can be at least partially redeemed by a recourse to nature. "Like some tall palm," the noiseless fabric sprung "was a famous description of an act of building. So, indeed, should fine buildings rise; but if they cannot, let us acknowledge, like the Essex folk, that our hand is out, and that we would, therefore, have the palm for the fabric, and in our England villages the oak for the palm."

The Times.

REFUSAL TO MOVE DYING MAN.

"An Extraordinary Action."

The refusal of the officials of the Barking Urban Council to send their ambulance to remove a dying man to the hospital was referred to at Poplar on Oct. 23rd, when an inquest was held upon Roland Ross Jamieson (39), who died from injuries caused by an explosion. Albert Luther Messenger, who was working with Jamieson when the explosion occurred shortly after three o'clock in the morning, said that the doctor advised removal to the Poplar Hospital. The witness telephoned to the Barking Council ambulance station, but the officials refused to send the ambulance as the accident had occurred out of their district, though the witness said that the firm would willingly repay the expense. The witness had previously applied to East Ham authorities, but their ambulance had broken down.

Dr. R. L. Guthrie (the coroner): Did you inform the Barking people about that?—Yes, and that I had been referred to them by the police. After that I phoned-up Ilford, and they replied that they were in the same position as Barking, but that if the firm would pay the expense they would send their ambulance. I gave that assurance, they sent the ambulance, and the injured man was removed at about 4.15 a.m., about an hour after the accident.

Dr. Guthrie. We should never have that difficulty with the L. C. C. Ambulance. It was an extraordinary action on the part of the Barking Council people. I must see about it.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

EASTERN ITEMS.

The charges against Arthur Charles Mack in regard to three cases of alleged larceny were continued at the British Supreme Court, Shanghai, on Nov. 29th, before His Honour Judge Grain and a jury. The jury found Mack innocent of the three charges and he was, therefore, acquitted.

The Philippine budget for the coming fiscal year, totalling P65,677,327, was on November 27th, presented by Secretary Barretto on behalf of Governor Wood, to the legislature. The document carries with it recommendations for increased taxation designed to bring in a little over four and a half million pesos.

Mr. Kermit Roosevelt, son of the former American President, who is visiting Japan with his wife and father-in-law, Mr. Joseph E. Willard, has cast aside the fame that might have come to him either in the field of letters or politics to follow the interesting calling of commerce on the high seas. As president of the Roosevelt Steamship Company and vice-president of the Kerr Steamship Company, Mr. Roosevelt has come to Japan on his first visit to study certain shipping problems.

The marriage of Miss Nora Wain to Mr. George Edward Oland Hill was solemnised on November 29th at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. C. E. Spencer, Sub-Dean. Miss Wain, whose home is in Philadelphia, is a writer of short stories and verse and has lived in Peking for some time, where she has a large group of friends. Mr. Oland Hill, Postal Commissioner at Nanking, is well-known among the British residents both of Nanking and Shanghai.

Dr. Albert Einstein, during his stay in Japan, will be considered by the Imperial universities of Kyoto and Tokyo as their guest. The schools reached this decision on November 23 and two schools' officials called on the scientist and asked that he consider himself their guest. The Imperial Academy has decided to confer honorary membership on Dr. Einstein.

Sir Keith Smith is in Japan to make arrangements for the round-the-world flight he will attempt next spring, but that flight he says is merely to be a "joy-ride," while his serious work is the promotion of a company to operate great air liners between England and Australia, with possibly a "branch" line connecting Japan and China with the "main" line. The liners will be lighter-than-air craft dirigibles, larger than anything now in existence.

The death took place at Yokohama on November 18 of Mrs. A. Dewette, widow of the late Mr. Louis Dewette, at the age of 83. Mrs. Dewette, who had resided in Japan for 40 years, was a native of Perthshire. She took an active part in relief work during the war and was a strong supporter of the British Women's Association. She leaves a son, Mr. Alexander L. J. Dewette, and a daughter, Mrs. Howes.

A Seoul message dated November 22 states: Admiral Stark, naval commander of the now defunct Vladivostok government, has left Gensan with 11 gunboats and four steamers, carrying about 15 hundred officers and 450 cadets with their families. The destination of the ships, is Fusan, but from there it is not known; three boats remain. The refugees on shore at Gensan are in the same destitute condition, and with them the emergency relief committee formed among foreigners here is principally concerned.

The first "sea postoffice," established under United States government direction on the trans-Pacific run from Seattle to Oriental ports and return, arrived at Yokohama on November 23rd, on the Admiral Line steamer President Jackson, thus marking a distinct innovation in accelerating the movement and delivery of mail from the United States to the Orient and vice versa. A United States postal clerk has been regularly detailed to the "sea postoffice" by the Federal government and henceforth will accompany each Admiral Line boat from Seattle to the Orient and return.

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CAMERA NEWS.



General view of the quaint city of Lausanne, nestling among the Swiss Alps, where the Near East Conference is now sitting.



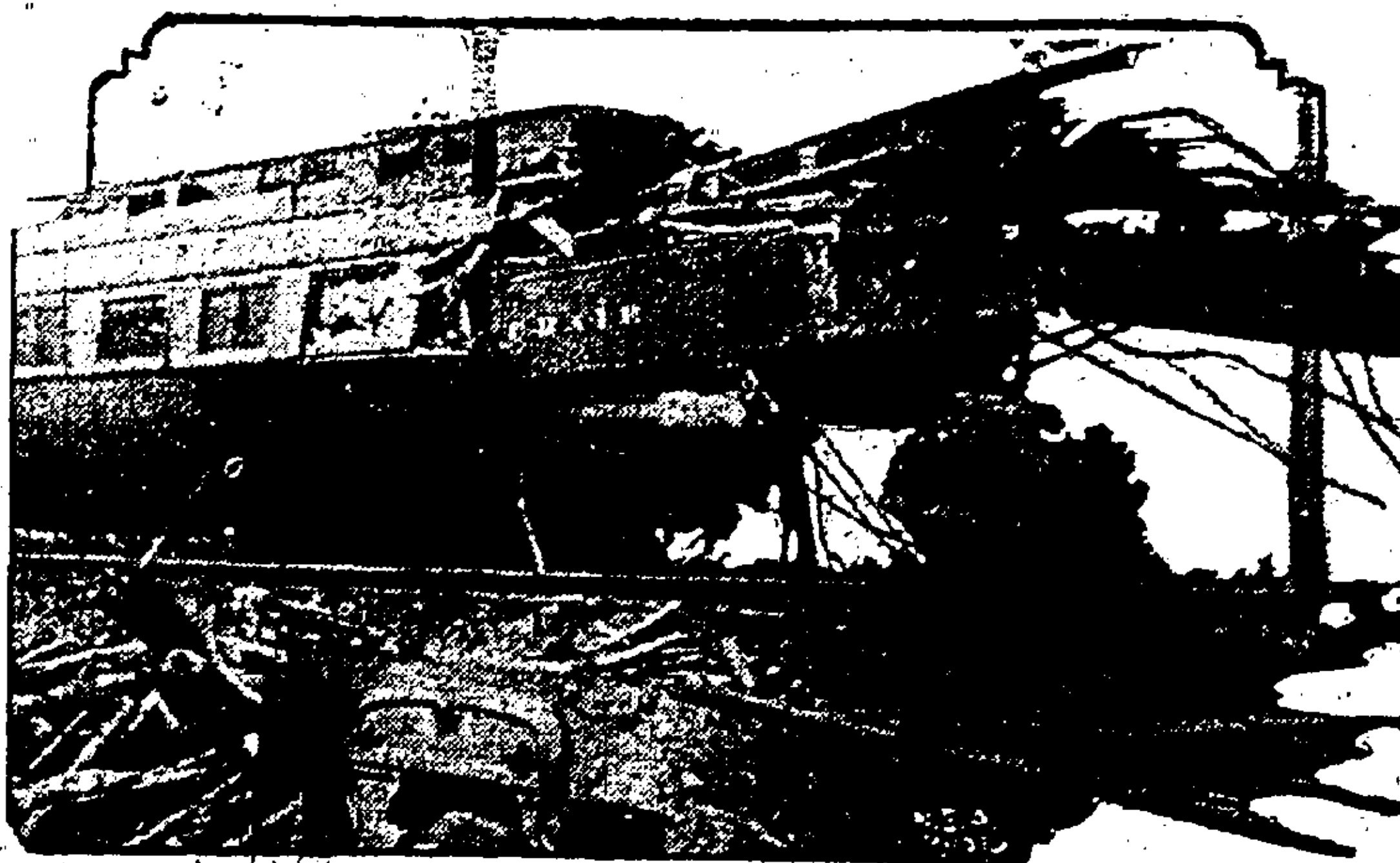
This photo shows ex-King Constantine of Greece, who abdicated his throne in favour of his son, Prince George, with ex-Queen Sophie (left) and Princess Caterina, photographed at Palermo, Italy, where they will spend the winter. The woman at extreme right is governess to the little Princess, while the clergyman at left is spiritual adviser to the ex-King.



Chafalo, the magician, who is to appear at the Theatre Royal to-morrow night.



Charles Garland, who gave his fortune of a million dollars for sociological research, is shown making ready his house and farm for eight Communists who will spend the winter with him in North Carver, Mass.



Graphic picture of a railway smash-up at Adelphi, U.S.A. A circus train was dashed into by a locomotive during the fog, three being killed and 49 injured.



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Destination	Steamer	Sat.	Sailing
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	9th Dec.	at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Chidlar	Mon. 11th Dec.	at 10 a.m.
TTAO via S'hai	Hopsang	Tues. 12th Dec.	at 8 a.m.
TTAO via S'hai	Hangsang	Thurs. 14th Dec.	at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Thurs. 14th Dec.	at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Kwaisang	Mon. 18th Dec.	at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Labsang	Tues. 19th Dec.	at 3 p.m.
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AMOI & SHANGHAI	Kailong	10th Dec. at d'light.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	Tean	10th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	12th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kalgan	12th Dec. at 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	Kueichow	12th Dec. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & HOLOLO	Taming	12th Dec. at 4 p.m.
H'HOW, PHOI, H'PHONG	Yunnan	13th Dec. at 10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Suiyang	14th Dec. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Sunning	16th Dec. at d'light.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	Linan	16th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	Luchow	17th Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kweiyang	17th Dec. at 10 a.m.
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EINSTEIN IN TOKYO.

Six Hours of Relativity.

The first lecture meeting by Professor Einstein was held in the lecture hall of Keio University at Mita, Tokyo, at 1.30 p.m. on Nov. 18th, by which time the hall was filled with scholars, teachers, and students. Some women were present too. Professor Einstein and his wife entered the hall accompanied by Dr. Ishihara Jun and Mr. Yamamoto Saohiko, the proprietor of the Kaizosha. He was loudly applauded on entering. He spoke on the "Special and General Theory of Relativity." As re-stated, beginning with the theory of Galileo, the basis of dynamics, the relation between the sun and the earth, the nature of light, time and distance, and other things illustrative of the principle of relativity. He used gestures and the blackboard to assist in the comprehension of his theory. Dr. Ishihara's interpretation is said to have been perfect. Although the lecture lasted for three hours, the audience were so interested that they showed no sign of fatigue. After an hour's rest Dr. Einstein resumed the lecture at about 5.30 and spoke for another three hours or six hours in all. The audience were astonished at his staying power.

Her Majesty the Empress graciously sent an invitation to Professor Einstein and his wife to a chrysanthemum garden party on Nov. 21st. At the party her Majesty received the visitors in audience.

ARMY "FAT KING".

How Waste Tub Fed the Guns.

How the table refuse of the troops in the war came to be treated by the invention of an officer, who was popularly known in the ranks as the Fat King, was described before the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors on November 1st.

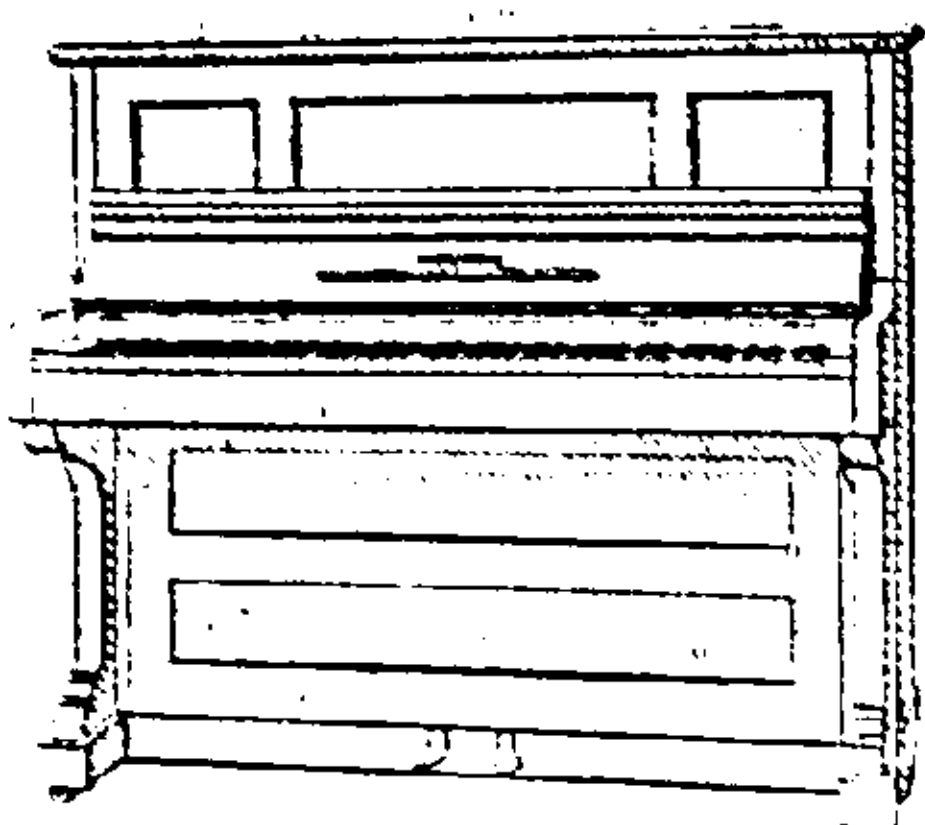
Major G. N. Ellis claimed that his extracting plant had rendered a great service during the war by dealing with refuse from camps and bases which otherwise might have been thrown away.

Emphasis was laid on the glycerine got from the bones coming from mess-rooms, etc., because this article was vitally necessary in the making of shells, etc. It was obtained by the major's plant at the right moment.

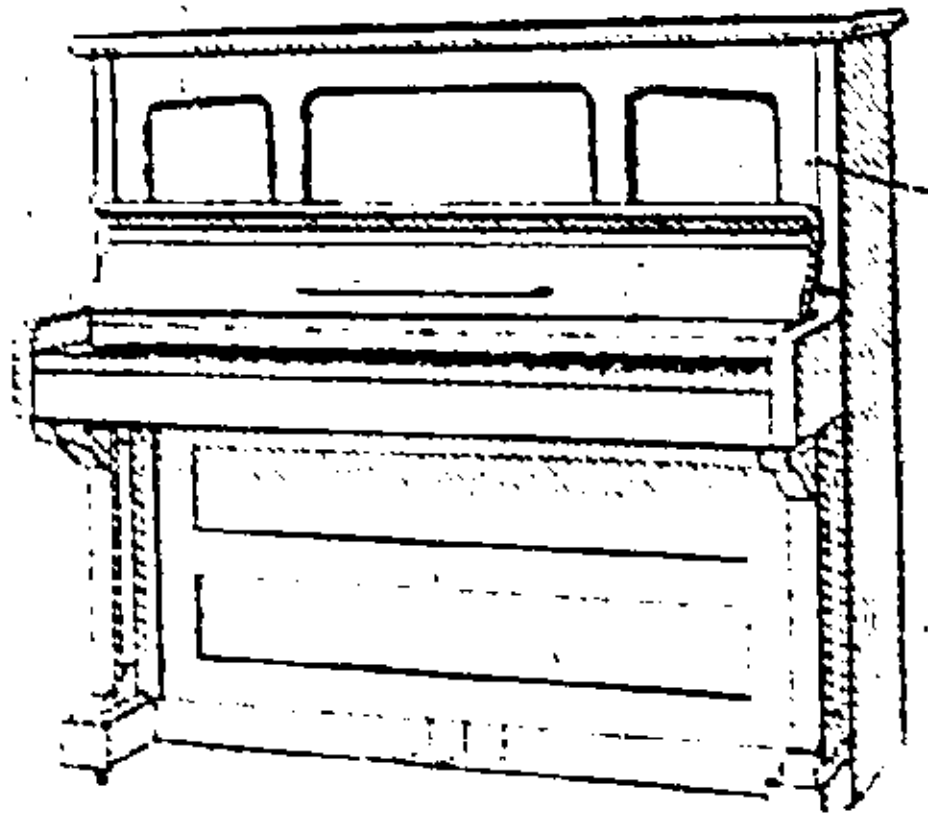
Counsel said that for every ton of fat saved by the plant, there was glycerine for a potential ton of propellant explosive. It was admitted that 9,000 tons of fat were sent over, and it could also be proved that 2,300 tons of bones were dispatched.

Major Ellis gained some reputation among the troops in France, and was popularly mentioned by them as the Fat King. At the time of the invention the steamer was an officer

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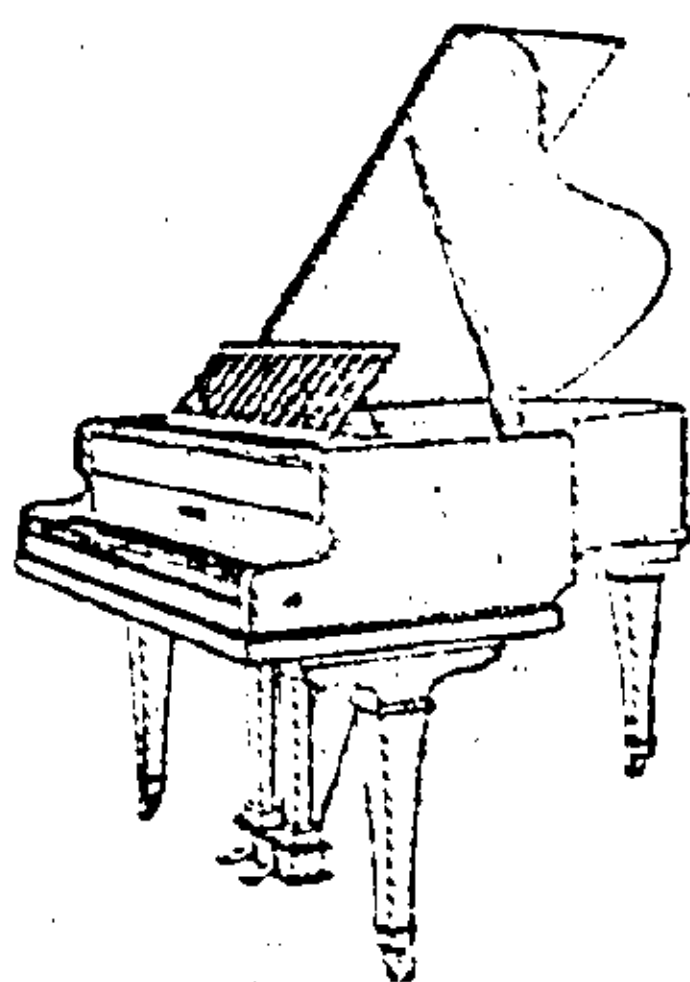
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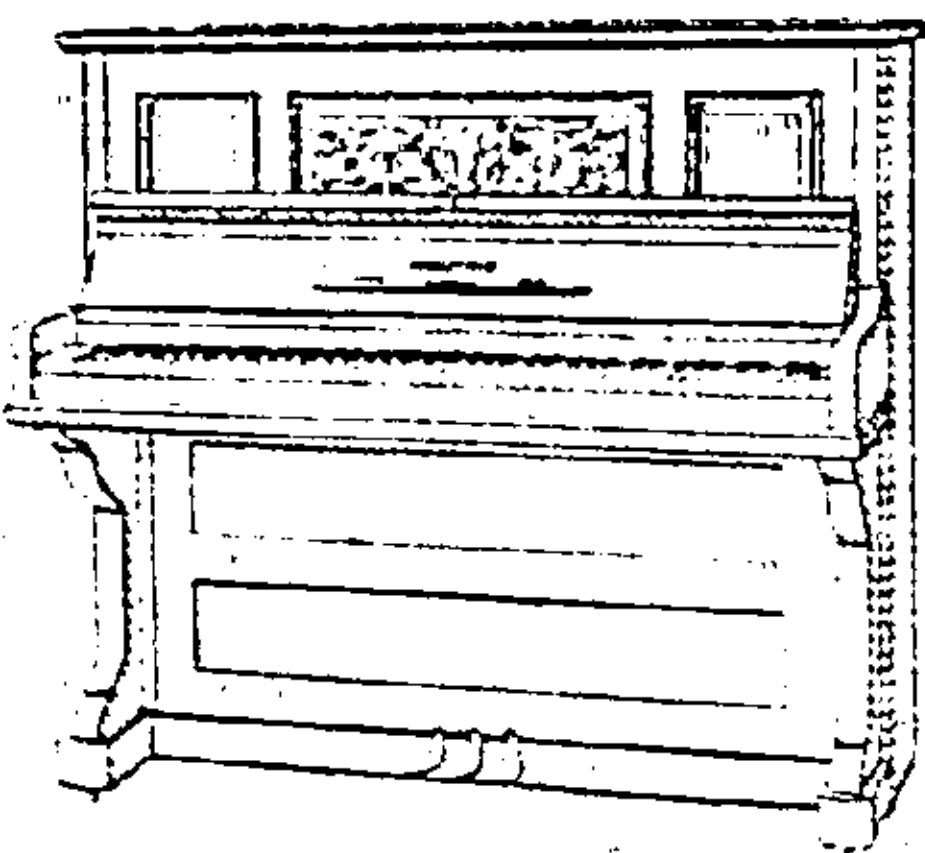
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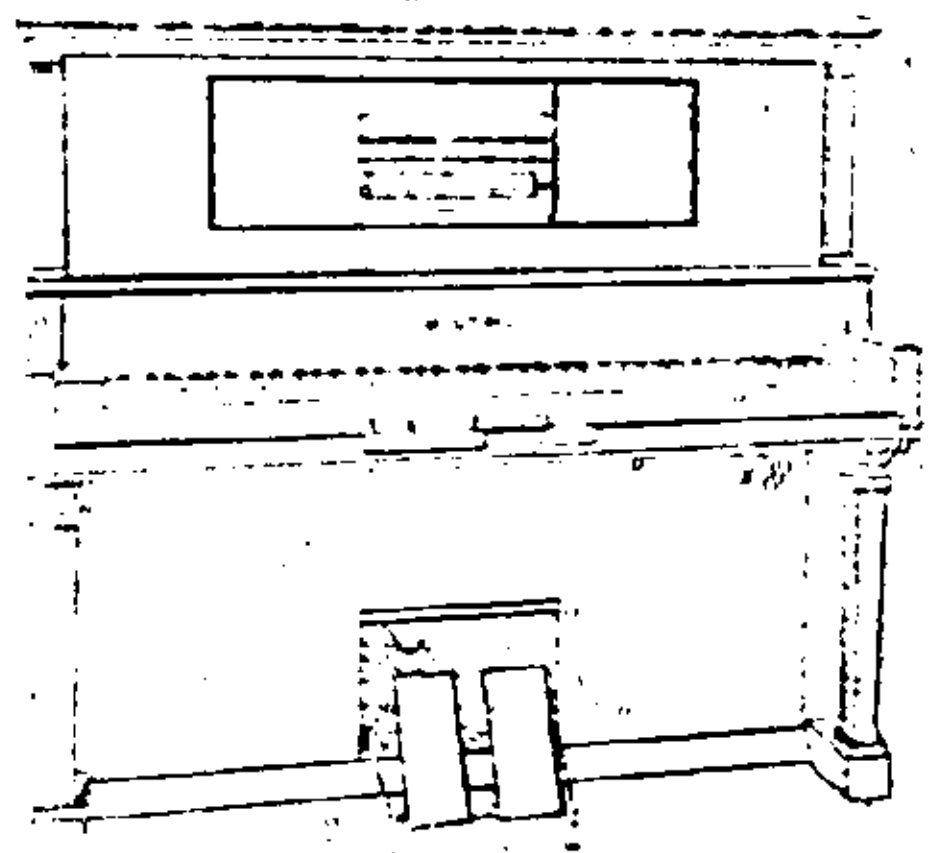


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PAVLOVA.

Hongkong Season Ends.

The Pavlova season in Hongkong ended yesterday, to the general regret of the community. There was a matinee performance, of which the chief features were "The Enchanted Lake" and "The Fairy Doll," both of which were beautifully produced, the latter ballet greatly delighting the numerous children present. Pavlova was the very spirit of artistry in all that she did, and her "Dying Swan" dance in the last part of the programme will long be remembered by all who saw it. At night there was again a crowded audience, when another most delightful programme was offered, Pavlova shining with great brilliance in "Flora's Awakening" as the Goddess of Flowers. At the close of the performance, the famous dancer was given a wonderful ovation, and, together with her companions, she was compelled again to bow her acknowledgments. Her visit to Hongkong will live long in popular memory as the greatest artistic treat that the Colony has ever enjoyed.

WEATHER REPORT.

Dec. 8d. 11h. 35m.—Pressure has decreased considerably over central Japan, moderately over N.E. Japan, and slightly from Shanghai to the Bonins. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

The anticyclone has weakened still further. It remains central over the lower Yangtze Valley.

Fresh to strong monsoon will continue along the S.E. coast of China and over the northern portion of the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 2.60 inch. Total since January 1st, 63.71 inches, against an average of 82.24 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel N.E. winds, strong.

2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks.

3 Hongkong to Gap Kock N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.

I. F. CLAXTON, Director.
H.K. Observatory, Dec. 8, 1922.

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7.30 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	every 15 min.
8.00 ..	7.50 ..	.. 15 min.
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NIGHT CARS.

8.15 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. 3.20 p.m.	every 15 min.
8.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every 30 minutes	.. 15 min.
11.15 p.m. to 11.45 every 15 minutes	.. 15 min.

SATURDAYS.

SUNDAYS.

7.30 a.m.	7.10 a.m.	every 15 min.
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11.30 p.m. to 11.50 p.m. every 30 minutes	.. 15 min.
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